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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Each document listed in this IDS was first cited in a communication from the German Patent Office dated July 6, 2005, in a counterpart foreign application, and this IDS is being filed within three months of the mailing data of that communication.

A copy of the identified German Patent Document No. 19938576 A1 is enclosed. However, copies of the listed U.S. patent and patent publication are not enclosed. A copy of the communication from the German Patent Office is attached for the

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Examiner's convenience, along with an English language Abstract for the German language patent document.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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